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Re: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled "INHIBITION OF PROTEIN KINASE C-MU (PKD) AS A TREATMENT FOR CARCIAC HYPERTROPHY AND HEART FAILURE – Timothy A. McKinsey, Eric Olson and Rick B. Vega*
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Transmitted herewith for filing is a 116-page patent specification including 99 claims and an abstract. Also included are Figures 1-3 on 3 sheets. The specification and drawings constitute the application of Eric Olson and Rick B. Vega for the captioned invention.

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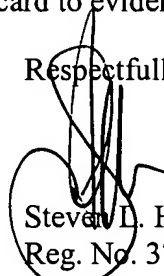
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